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**METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR ESTABLISHING
DIRECT MOBILE TO MOBILE COMMUNICATION
BETWEEN CELLULAR MOBILE TERMINALS**

The present invention provides a method for establishing direct mobile to mobile communication between cellular mobile terminals. The method includes selecting a frequency designated as a mobile communication frequency within a cellular communication system, and transmitting a communication initiation sequence at the selected frequency by a first mobile terminal. A second mobile terminal then monitors the designated mobile communication frequencies, and detects the communication initiation sequence. In at least one embodiment, selecting a frequency includes determining the region in which the first mobile terminal is operating, and selecting a mobile communication frequency for the determined region. In at least a further embodiment, the mobile communication frequency is a mobile transmission frequency for the determined region. In at least a still further embodiment, selecting a frequency includes selecting a frequency that is designated as a mobile transmit frequency in a first supported region and is designated as a mobile receive frequency in a second supported region.